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The “Roque de la Fuente” Saga

An Update

Amid the veritable sea of concerns over the 2020 election cycle is one which has gone widely unnoticed, or at least underreported. The November election had severe issues that have been covered extensively, however I would like to take a step back, towards the 2020 primaries. An examination of the cumulative reports revealed what appeared to be the same candidate's name on both Republican and Democrat primary ballots, Roque de la Fuente. The issue was found to be present in every county in Texas and in many states.

Roque de la Fuente II, sometimes using an additional surname, Guerra, is a California based businessman and “perennial candidate” for political office. This is a polite way of saying that he is a perpetual failure of a candidate, but somehow finds the funds to file repeatedly for multiple offices per election cycle. His sons, Ricardo de la Fuente and Roque de la Fuente III, also occasionally file for multiple offices, seemingly without intention or expectation to succeed. The concern was initially brought to light by Texas Election Integrity activists who observed what appeared to be the exact same name on two party's primary ballots, prompting a deeper dive into the issue.

Upon closer examination, it appears that these two candidates are allegedly father and son, and have a history of filing for the same position in opposing parties, and for positions they have no right to assume. Roque Sr. ran against two of his own sons in multiple election cycles for the same positions. One of his sons uses the same exact name on the ballot, including the nickname used in filing. Footage of the younger candidates is rare and difficult to find, though footage of the elder Roque is available online. Below are all of the races Roque and his sons ran in, beginning in 2020 and going back to 2016.

- 1.) Roque de la Fuente II ran as a Republican in the 2020 Presidential Primary, and his son, Roque de la Fuente III, ran as a Democrat in the 2020 Presidential Primary.
- 2.) Roque de la Fuente II (the Father) ran against his son, Ricardo de la Fuente, also in 2020, for California's 21st Congressional District. It is apparently not illegal to run for two positions in California in the same cycle.
- 3.) In 2018 Roque de la Fuente II (the Father) ran for U.S. Senate in the following nine states despite residency restrictions: California (Independent), Washington (Independent), Hawaii (R), Minnesota (R), Vermont (R), Wyoming (R), Florida (R), Delaware (R), and Rhode Island (R).
- 4.) In 2017 Roque de la Fuente II ran as a Republican for Mayor of NY, but faced some challenges once again due to residency restrictions.
- 5.) In 2016, Roque de la Fuente II (the Father) ran as a Democrat in both the U.S. Presidential Primary and as a Democrat for a Florida Senate seat.
- 6.) Roque de la Fuente II (the Father) claims in at least one interview that he ran as an independent in the 2016 Presidential Primary despite appearing on the Democrat ballot.
- 7.) Roque de la Fuente III (the Son) claims that he gets along well with his father despite running on opposing tickets for the same positions.

De la Fuente II owns land in Uruguay, Mexico and the U.S. and also owns multiple currency exchange companies. In 2004 a ruling was issued, which has since been reversed, barring De la Fuente from “participating in any FDIC-insured institution” for alleged inappropriate borrowing/ lending of funds from banks he founded.

The Texas Democrat Party Chairman gave a statement that the party intended to spend the filing fee paid by Roque III, and that this was good enough for them to add his name to the party primary ballot.

We are still looking into the viability of the younger De la Fuente candidates. If they turn out to be living, breathing humans, we are ready to state that we believe this family to be intent on splitting the vote for the two major political parties in the U.S. in every election cycle they can. We believe they are a family of scam artists and that none of the De la Fuente men are real candidates running on Party, Platform or Policy in any way. They shift from party to party and team up to split votes in either an attempt to enhance their chances of gaining power, or to completely exploit weaknesses in our elections. The darkest aspect is the severe doubt and shadow they seem intent on casting over the method with which Americans attempt to preserve our Republican form of Government. TBTX is looking into what can be done to prevent this family from further abusing our system, and we will soon begin petitioning our parties to scrutinize candidates further before allowing them onto our state ballots to split votes for their own entertainment. We do not find these potential abuses amusing.